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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: BOMB SEARCH PROCEDURES

1. JAPAN TIMES OF MARCH 4, 1976 INDICATES THAT BOMB WHICH EXPLODED AT HOKKAIDO PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS ON MARCH 2, 1976 WAS CONCEALED IN FIRE EXTINGUISHER. THERE HAVE BEEN NUMBER OF OTHER INCIDENTS IN JAPAN OF BOMBS BEING CONCEALED INSIDE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS. AMCONSUL FUKUOKA RECEIVED TWO BOMB THREATS ON MARCH 4, 1976. THREATS COULD CONCEIVABLY BE CONNECTED WITH SENTENCING ON FEBRUARY 25 OF TWO MARXIST YOUTH LEAGUE MEMBERS WHO ATTACKED FUKUOKA CONSULATE IN NOVEMBER 1974.

2. EACH ACTION ADDRESSEE SHOULD CLEARLY TAG ALL FIRE EXTINGUISHERS WITH DISTINCTIVE IDENTIFICATION THAT COULD NOT BE EASILY DUPLICATED. YOU MAY BE ABLE TO AFFIX POUCH SEAL TO EXTINGUISHERS WITHOUT EFFECTING THEIR OPERATION. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS COULD THEN BE CHECKED PERIODICALLY BY GUARD OR ADMIN PERSONNEL TO ENSURE THAT

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NO SUBSTITUTION TAKES PLACE. ALSO IN CASE OF BOMB THREAT

EXTINGUISHERS SHOULD BE CHECKED FIRST. IN ORDER TO
MAKE THIS PROCEDURE MEANINGFUL, POST'S CONTINUING
ATTENTION WILL BE REQUIRED. PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY
PRECAUTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

3. CONSULATES PLEASE ALSO ADVISE ALL AMERICAN CENTERS
IN YOUR DISTRICT TO INITIATE THE SAME TAGGING AND
CHECK PROCEDURES.
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